3.1 PREREQUISITES

Adoption by the Local Governing Body

The Louisville Metro Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan, hereafter known as "the Plan" adheres to the guidelines outlined in 44 CFR, Section 201.6.

Adoption Process: Louisville Metro Emergency Management Agency (EMA), applicant agency, submits the Plan to the Kentucky Division of Emergency Management (KyEM) and the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region IV for review and comment. Once the State and Federal reviewers certify the Plan approvable, EMA will submit the Plan for formal adoption. A signed copy of the executed order is included in the final Plan. See Appendix 3 for a map of Metro Council Districts and a map of the Census Tracts.

Partnering Agreement

Project Staff met with the Public Health and Safety Committee of the Metro Council, early in the planning process to introduce the all hazard planning process and a "Partnering Agreement". The Public Health and Safety Committee agreed to formally recognize the planning process and the Partners by sponsoring a Resolution to be adopted by Louisville Metro's 26-member Metro Council.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Louisville Metro All Hazards Mitigation Plan will be a proactive and cooperative program to help our community to be better prepared to prevent and reduce losses from natural disasters.

The Louisville Metro Natural Hazards Mitigation Planning Team and Advisory Committee signed the Partnering Agreement during the Public Kick-Off Meeting (May 24, 2004). The signed Partnering Agreement includes the Mission Statement, signatures, and states the commitment to the planning process by the Planning Team and Advisory Committee. The text of the Agreement follows. The signed Partnering Agreement is in an Appendix 2. A copy of the Resolution is in Appendix 3.







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PARTNERING AGREEMENT

We, the members of the Louisville Metro All Hazards Mitigation Plan Development Team, are committed to working to establish unity and open communication in the implementation of a comprehensive all hazards mitigation plan.

We pledge our representation as a partner in the goal to develop:

- A Disaster Resistant Community
- An appropriate Hazard Mitigation Plan and Mitigation Strategy
- Regulatory practices
- Maximum community trust, support, and involvement

To maintain the All Hazard Mitigation Plan as a working plan, we pledge to reconvene at least annually to keep our goals and recommendations viable. As we achieve the priority recommendations in the Plan, we will report on the progress to the community and continue to update the plan for the future.

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